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Colonel Ricardo L. Sierra-Guzman

Commander, 595th Transportation Brigade

Colonel Ricardo L. "Rick" Sierra-Guzman, a native of Cayey, Puerto Rico, is a graduate of the University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering. He commissioned in 1997 as an Ordnance Officer through the Reserve Officers' Training Corps. In 2005, he earned a Master's degree in Management from Webster University. In 2019, COL Sierra completed Senior Service College and graduated with distinction from the Inter-American Defense College, where he earned a Master in Science.



COL Sierra started his active duty career at Fort Bragg with the 58th Maintenance Company, 1st COSCOM. In 2003, he commanded B/782/82nd Airborne Division in Iraq, and later commanded the San Juan Recruiting Company in Puerto Rico. COL Sierra completed his key developmental positions with the 24th Transportation Battalion, 7th Transportation Brigade (Expeditionary) at Fort Eustis. As a LTC, he commanded the Army Support Activity Fort Eustis-Story and completed his joint qualification in the TRANSCOM G3. Most recently COL Sierra served as the Chief of Staff for the 3rd Expeditionary Sustainment Brigade.

Other significant assignments include: Support Operations Ammunitions Officer, 7th Transportation Brigade (Expeditionary) (FWD IZ); Director of Logistics, Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation; S3 Current Operations Officer, 595th Transportation Brigade (SDDC).

His military education includes the Ordnance Officer Basic Course, Combined Logistics Captains Career Course, Combined Arms Service Staff School, Recruiting Commander's Course, Joint Planer Course, Support Operations Course, Command and General Staff College, and Joint Professional Military Education II. In addition, he attended the US Army's Airborne, US Army's Air Assault, and US Army's Jumpmaster Schools.

COL Sierra has multiple combat tours to the CENTCOM AOR. He also was part of JTF-170 in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and participated in Operation Unified Response in support of Haiti earthquake relief efforts.

COL Sierra's awards and decorations include: Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (2 OCL), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 OCL), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3 OCL), Army Achievement Medal (3 OCL), Recruiter Basic Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Royal Australian Parachutist Badge and German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge.

COL Sierra and his wife have four children.